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Dear Sir:

Prior to taking up the above-identified application for examination, please amend the application as follows:

In the Specification

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 1, line 7, with the following rewritten paragraph. Per 37 C.F.R. §1.121, this paragraph is also shown in Appendix A with notations to indicate the changes made.

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--This application is a division of Application No. 09/259,488 (filed February 26, 1999) issued as U.S. Patent No. 6,076,248, which application is a division of Application No. 08/940,267 (filed September 29, 1997) issued as U.S. Patent No. 6,129,540, which is a continuation of Application No. 08/450,814 (filed May 25, 1995), abandoned, which is a division of Application No. 08/120,300 (filed September 13, 1993), abandoned.--